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	National Wastelands Development Board (NWDB)	
1	Grants to Voluntary Agencies	21.06
2	Margin Money Assistance to Autonomous Bodies	0.92
3	Operation Soil Watch	58.22
4	Rural Fuelwood Plantation	85.37
5	Silvipastural Farms	3.61
6	Decentralised People's Nurseries Scheme	58.91
7	Aerial Seeding	1.64
8	Minor Forest Produce including Medicinal Plants	2.23
9	Area Oriented Fuelwood Fodder Project	0.62
10	Seed Development	1.46
11	Integrated Wasteland Development Project	7.56
12	Other Schemes	15.25
	Sub-Total NWDB :	256.85
	Total for the Ministry :	679.30

Data on Environment

1153. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of the reports received by Government regarding environmental data pertaining to air, water, soil, toxic wastes, dumps, building construction etc. in the light of the recent earthquake in Uttarkashi;

(b) whether Government have conducted any enquiry about the impact of the earthquake on Tehri Dam Project in this area; and

(c) if so, what are the details there of and action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) to (c) Environmental data pertaining to air and water are collected in specific project locations in the context of environmental laws. Information reelatingto these parameters in the light of earthquke in Uttar8ashi and about its impact on Tehri Dam will be collected from other concerned agencies and laid on the Table of the House.

Permission to IFS Officers for Civil Services Examination

1154. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that recruitment to Civil Services (IAS, IPS etc.) and I.F.S. (Indian Forest Service) is made on the basis of two separate examinations with different syllabus/interviews and medical tests;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not permitting eligible Indian Forest Service Officers who intend to take Civil Services Examination;

(c) whether Government are aware that many eligible serving Indian Forest Service Officers had appeared and were selected in 1990 and 1991 Civil Service Examination only after getting injunction from Central Administrative Tribunal; and

(d) if so; whether Government propose to suitably amend the rules so as to permit Indian Forest Service Officers to appear in Civil Services Examination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present, regulations do not prohibit IFS probationers from appearing for Civil Services Examination. Candidates successful at IFS Examination are, at their request, allowed to defer joining the Service without any loss of seniority for one year, if they choose to appear at the Civil Services Examination. However, once they join the Forest Academy for training, prolonged absence form training, for whatever, purpose, is not approved as it has an adverse effect on the probationers undergoing training, impairing their abilities to discharge their duties later as Forest Officers. Recent pronouncements of the Hon'ble Supreme Court have upheld the validity of measures to ensures individed attention of the trainees to the training programmes.

(c) Government are aware of some IFS trainees having appeared at Civil Services Examination, 1990 after obtaining orders of CAT, Delhi. It is reported that only two have been successful.

(d) No such proposal is contemplated.

Pollution threat in Himachal Pradesh

1155. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that indiscriminate mining operations near Naldera and Bhattakufar have posed a serious pollution threat to the tourist resort of Shimla in Himachal Pradesh ;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to take any concrete steps to save the tourist resort from pollution; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Stone crushers in Naldera and Bhattakufar are causing air pollution. Three units located in Naldera are also doing mining operations.

(b) and (c) Notices have been issued to all these units by the State Pollution Control Board to put up pollution control equipment according to a time bound programme, and conform to the requirements of the legislation.

रणथम्भौर टाइगर प्रोजेक्ट में जानवरों की गणना

1156. डा० अबरार अहमद : क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सवाई माधोपुर स्थित रणथम्भौर टाइगर प्रोजेक्ट में जानवरों की अंतिम गणना कब की गई थी तथा उस गणना के अनुसार वहां जानवरों की संख्या कितनी थी ;

(ख) रणथम्भौर टाइगर प्रोजेक्ट के परिसर में जाने के लिए विदेशी तथा भारतीय पर्यटकों के लिए विहित नियम क्या-क्या हैं तथा उसका शुल्क कितना-कितना है तथा वहां किस प्रकार के वाहनों को प्रवेश करने दिया जाता है, इस संबंध में तीन वर्ष पूर्व क्या-क्या नियम थे तथा इन नियमों में कब-कब तथा किन-किन स्तरों पर संशोधन किया गया ;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने जनता की राय जानने के लिए नियमों का संशोधन करने वाले को प्रारूप परिचालित किया था; यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(घ) क्या सरकार सवाई माधोपुर के लोगों को लाभान्वित करने तथा अधिकारियों के मनमाने रवैये पर अंकुश लगाने के उद्देश्य से कोई योजना बनाने का विचार रखती है ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) रणथम्भौर बाघ परियोजना में पशुओं की अंतिम गणना अप्रैल 1991 में की गई थी। अंतिम गणना के अनुसार प्रमुख पशुओं की संख्या इस प्रकार है :—

1.	बाघ	45
2.	चीते	50
3.	रीछ	67
4.	चीतल	3881
5.	सांभर	2166
6.	नीलगाय	1007